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David Edwin Thurston, et al.

Application No. 09/763,813

Confirmation No.: 3683

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"COLLECTIONS OF COMPOUNDS"

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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

Applicant claims small entity status. The fee has been calculated as shown below. No additional fee is required.

| | | CLAIN | IS AS AMENDED | | | |
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| (1) | (2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT | (3) | (4) HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR | (5) PRESENT EXTRA | (6) RATE | (7) ADDITIONAI FEE |
| TOTAL CLAIMS | 3 | MINUS | 26 | 0 | X \$9 | 0.00 |
| INDEP. CLAIMS | 1 | MINUS | 3 | 0 | X \$42 | 0.00 |
| | | | TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT | | | 0.00 |

In the event Applicant has overlooked the need to request an extension of time, please consider this a request for the same. Charge or credit Deposit Account No. 50-0842 with any shortage or overpayment of the fees associated with this communication. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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In the matter of the above-identified application, and in response to the Official Action mailed May 21, 2003, please amend the application as follows.

Amendments to the claims appear in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.